

REMARKS

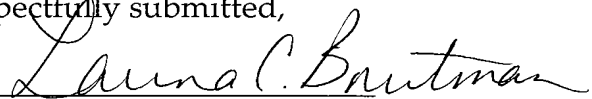
Claims 1-23 are pending, with claims 1-8 rejected and claims 9-23 withdrawn from consideration.

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-8 as being indefinite, because it is the Examiner's position that it is not clear where the protective structure, as recited in claim 1, line 9, is located. The drawings have been objected to because the claimed protective structure is not shown.

In response, Applicant has amended claim 1 to specify that: a) the protective structure comprises the second electrical conductor, and b) the integrated circuit detects the rise in the current flow within the second electric conductor. Applicant believes the amendments to claim 1 overcome the rejection and objection, and that the pending application is now in condition for allowance.

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